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**Brief Summary of Selected Substantive Portions of this Response**

[0001] In a telephone discussion on December 8, 2008 with the Examiner, we discussed how the claims differed from the cited reference. Amendments are presented herein based on the discussion with the Examiner

[0002] This brief summary is not intended to represent the Applicant's full response to the Action. Rather, it is merely a brief summary of selected substantive portions of the response herein.